GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PLAN FOR SUGARCANE FARMERS .
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any action plan for sugarcane farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the heads under which the Government have provided assistance to these farmers during the year 1999-2000?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)to(c): A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Sustainable Development of SugarcaneBased Cropping System (SUBACS) is in operation since 1995-96 in 20 States and one Union Territory of Pondicherry on 75:25 sharing basis between Government of India and State Governments. The main thrust of the scheme is to increase productivity and quality of sugarcane. During the year 1999-2000, sugarcane farmers have been provided assistance on farm implements and drip irrigation system. Besides, demonstrations and farmers training have also been organized during the year. Assistance to State Governments is also provided for seed multiplication, heat treatment plants and State level training.